

CLAIMS

1. A gaming table, comprising:

at least one game outcome determining device, exclusive of a card game, and configured for determination of a random outcome for a game based upon at least one direct physical interaction of a person with said device, said direct physical interaction affecting said random outcome in a way that is exclusive of any intervening automation;

a plurality of player terminals exclusively at said gaming table, each terminal including a player user interface to permit a player to select at least one outcome of the game occurring exclusively at said gaming table and to make wagers on said at least one outcome; and

at least one processor for comparing said wagers to said random outcome for determining winning ones of said wagers, and for crediting winning proceeds directly to said player terminals.

2. The gaming table according to claim 1 further comprising a dealer terminal operatively coupled to said at least one processor, said dealer terminal including a dealer user interface configured to permit a dealer, after receipt of payment from a player, to directly credit one of said player terminals.

3. The gaming table according to claim 2 wherein said dealer user interface is configured to permit a dealer to pay out to a player upon request a remaining credit balance on a player terminal in use by said player.

4. The gaming table according to claim 1 wherein said roulette wheel is configured for at least one of manual spinning and manual dispensing of a roulette ball by a dealer.

5. A method for operating a gaming table, comprising:

receiving at a plurality of player terminals exclusively at said gaming table respective player selections of a game outcome occurring exclusively at said gaming table and player wagers on said respective player selections of said game outcomes;

determining a random outcome for a game based upon at least one direct physical interaction of a person with a game outcome determining device, said direct physical interaction affecting said random outcome in a way that is exclusive of any intervening automation; and

comparing automatically said random outcome to said respective player selections; and,

determining winning ones of said wagers responsive to said comparing step, and crediting winning proceeds directly to said player terminals based on said player wagers.

6. The method according to claim 5 wherein said step of manually operating said roulette wheel is performed by a dealer.

7. The method according to claim 5 further comprising receiving a player credit entry at a dealer terminal after receipt of payment from a player, and responsive to said entry directly crediting one of said player terminals.

8. The method according to claim 7 further comprising the step of determining a remaining credit balance on a player terminal in use by said player, and cashing out a player from said player terminal upon request by clearing any credit balance from said player terminal and paying said credit directly to said player.